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Taiwan Grain and Feed 43% of Public Rice Quota Tendered 2005

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Report Highlights:

Forty three percent of Taiwan's 2005 public rice quota will be tendered over the next two weeks. Taiwan announced two new tenders for 34,500 tons of medium grain brown rice and 2,400 tons of short grain brown rice on November 14. Three days earlier, on November 11, Taiwan reissued tenders for 3,000 tons of long grain brown rice and 600 tons of short grain milled glutinous rice. In spite of several tenders failing do to price ceiling issues earlier this year, Taiwan has contracted for rice imports equal to 46 percent of its public sector rice quota.

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Public Rice Tenders for Various Rice Types

On November 11, Taiwan reissued tenders for 3,000 tons of long grain brown rice and 600 tons of short grain milled glutinous rice. Technical bids and price bids for the reissued tenders are scheduled for November 22 and 24, respectively. On November 14, Taiwan announced new tenders for 34,500 tons of medium grain brown rice and 2,400 tons of short grain brown rice. Technical and price bids for these two tenders are scheduled for November 28 and 30, respectively. Taiwan has not issued tenders for short grain brown rice since 2003. Please see the following tables for details of the individual tender invitations.

Taiwan has only signed contracts for 46 percent of its 2005 public sector rice quota. The newly announced tenders are equal to 43 percent of the quota, leaving 11 percent to be scheduled if these latest tenders are successful.

Summary Table for Public Rice Tender Schedules

Tender Schedules	Tonnage on Brown Basis	Rice Type
Contracted Public rice quota	3,450	Long grain glutinous
	356.5	Short grain glutinous
	12,000	Medium grain
	10,000	Medium grain
	17,000	Medium grain
Contracted rice quotas amounted to 42,806.5 mt (46%)		
Scheduled for tendering	3,000	Long grain glutinous
	600	Short grain glutinous
	34,500	Medium grain
	2,400	Short grain
Already scheduled for tenders totaled 40,590 mt (43%)		
To be scheduled for tendering	10,671.5 (11%)	TBD
The total 2005 rice quota for public imports is 94,068 tons		

Tender Invitations

1. Tender Invitation No.: GF4-940158-2 Rice Type: Long Grain Brown Rice

Crop Year: 2005 Quantity: 3,000 mt

Technical tender: November 22 Price Tender: November 24

Delivery Term: The rice needs to be delivered to the designated COA warehouses

within three months from the contract signing date.

2. Tender Invitation No.: GF4-940141-4
Rice Type: Short Grain Milled Glutinous Rice

Crop Year: 2005 Quantity: 600 mt

Technical tender: November 22 Price Tender: November 24

Delivery Term: The rice needs to be delivered to the designated COA warehouses

within two months from the contract signing date.

3. Tender Invitation No.: GF4-940203 Rice Type: Medium Grain Brown Rice Crop Year: 2005 Quantity: 34,500 mt

Technical tender: November 28 Price Tender: November 30

Delivery Term: The rice needs to be delivered to the designated COA warehouses

within 115 days from the contract signing date.

4. Tender Invitation No.: GF4-940204 Rice Type: Short Grain Brown Rice

Crop Year: 2005 Quantity: 2,400 mt

Technical tender: November 28 Price Tender: November 30

Delivery Term: The rice needs to be delivered to the designated COA warehouses

within two months from the contract signing date.